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THE COLONEL COOK SINKING. Schooner That Ran Down the Ill-Fated

Lady Elgin.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 23 .- The schooner Colonel Cook, stone laden from Kelley's Island, was abandoned in Lake Erie today in a sinking condition. The Cook was a small craft, valued at only \$3,000, but she had a history. About thirty-four years ago, on Lake Michigan, she ran down and

sunk the excursion steamer Lady Elgin, causing the loss of nearly three hundred lives. The Cook was owned by J. A. and L. P. Smith, of this city. POWDERLY NOW A LAWYER.

Will Be Admitted to the Bar at Scranton To-Day.

SCRANTON, Pa., Sept. 23 .- T. V. Powderly, the noted ex-labor leader, will be formally admitted to the bar of Lackawanna county to-morrow. He has about determined to open a law office in New York city and locate there.

Metropolitan Chess League. NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—A metropolitan chess league was formed at the City Chess Club at a meeting last night. Representatives of the Manhattan City, Staten Island, Brooklyn and Newark chess clubs were present. The league will soon begin a suicide here to-day by cuseries of team matches for a trophy.

F. Loring, aged fifteen, of Sacramento and Chicken, and C

THE GERMAN CATHOLICS.

Louisville Filling Up with Delegates to the Big Congres.

LOUISVILLE, Sept. 23.-The city is fast filling up with delegates to the German Catholic Congress, which meets Tuesday. The congress will open with high mass at the cathedral in the forenoon. At this service the Roman Knights will be present in full uniform. The organization of the German priests, which is a part of the congress, will have a business meeting after the mass at St. Boniface, to be followed by a convention of the young men. In the evening a public meeting will be held in the auditorium, at which there will be programme for addresses are Rt. Rev. Bishop McCloskey, Very Rev. Pius R. Mayer, O. O. C.; Very Rev. Dr. Joseph Schroeder, Hon. Washington Hesing, of Chicago, and others. Dr. Schroeder is the vice president of the Catholic University at Washington. The congress will be in session until Thursday, and when the adjournment is had at 4 o'clock the delegates will go on an excursion to Mammoth Cave. It is expected that thousands will be here to attend the Congress, which has for its object the promotion of religion and education among the German Catholic people of the United States: The proceedings of the fifth annual rand council of the Atlantic jurisdiction of the Young Men's Institute opened here this afternoon. The parade was a failure owing to the fact that Bishop McCloskey, Catholic bishop of the diocese of Louisville, issued an edict against the parade on Sunday. Visiting delegates as well as local members were much put out over the affair and a number of the lodges paraded in defiance of the Bishop's edict. At night the visitors were given a recention at the the visitors were given a reception at the rooms of the various local councils. The first business meeting will be held to-mor-

A TOADVINE MURDER.

Headless Skeleton of John Oliver Found After Seven Years.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Sept. 23 .- A surveying corps located at Toadvine, Ala., while passing through the mountains yesterday found the headless skeleton of a man leaning against a bluff. Not a vestige of clothing or flesh was left on the bones, nor was the skull anywhere to be found. Toadvine has been the scene of many old feuds and deadly conflicts between opposing factions have been frequent. Seven years ago John Oliver, a member of one of the factions, mysteriously disappeared. A, gold ring found beside the skeleton bears Oliver's initials, and it is now believed he was led off by enemies and murdered.

KANSAS SISTERS LEAD.

One Hundred Reformers Will Come Out in Turkish Trousers.

TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 23 .- About a hundred of the suffrage women of Topeka will come out in reform dress. They have entered into an agreement, which Dr. Eva Harding and Dr. Agnes Haviland say is to be reduced to writing. This agreement describes the costume. It is to consist of Turkish trousers, covered by a skirt reach-ing to the fold, a close or loose waist, as the wearer may prefer, and cloth leggings to match the trousers. It is the intention of the Topeka women to organize into relief squads, so that a number of them may be on the streets all the day, and thus the community will become familiar with the

Boy Cook Cuts His Throat. NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 23.-William F. Loring, aged fifteen, a cook, formerly of Sacramento and Chicago, committed suicide here to-day by cutting his throat.

News in London About the China- | Has Pulled the Wool over the Japan Navai Engagement.

The Big Chinese Armored Vessels Were Little More Than Scratched in the Yalu River Affair.

CAPT. GAILSWORTHY HERE

Commander of the Kow Shing on His Way to Report in London.

Japan Has Recruited a New Army of 80,000 Men and Will Hurl the Same Against Pekin.

LONDON, Sept. 23 .- The Times will tomorrow publish a dispatch sent from Shanghai to-day saying that the Chinese warships Ting-Yuen and Chen-Yuen received no injuries either to hulls or batteries from the fire of the Japanese vessels during the engagement at the mouth of the Yalu river. Colonel Von Hanneken, it is added, directed the operations of the Chinese fleet. Eight foreign volunteers did splendid service during the battle, and their conduct did much to instill spirit into the Chinese. Commander McGiffin, of Admiral Ting's staff, on board the Chen-Yuen, and Mr. Hekmann were wounded. Engineers Albrecht and Hoffman were the only two of the eight foreigners who were pot wounded. All the wounded are doing well and will soon be fit for duty. The dispatch further says that the Chinese disaster at Ping Yang seems to have been chiefly due to the want of co-operation between the commanders, a common fault in the Chinese army. It is reported that a Russian fleet has assembled at Vladivostock, prepared for immediate action. The transports of the volunteer fleet as they arrive are detained at Vladivostock.

A dispatch from Shanghai states that the Chinese government has refused the request of Prince Ching, president of Tsung Li Yamen, that he be given command in Corea. Prince Ching is a strong advocate of conceding Japan's demands. It is supposed that he only wanted to investigate personally the condition of the Chinese forces in the field. The dispatch adds that the British gunboat Pigmy has been dispatched to New Chwang, at the head of the gulf of Liau Tong in anticipation of a possible Japanese attack upon that The dowager Empress of China has do-nated another 3,000,000 taels from her birth-

day fund towards meeting the expenses of Japan's Naval Victory Questioned. WASHINGTON, Sept. 23 .- Few of the ordnance officers of the navy are prepared to accept the recent engagement between Japanese and Chinese fleets at the Yalu river as a demonstration of the superiority of a fleet of unarmored cruisers over heavily-protected but moderate-speed battle ships. This is natural, in view of the fact that for many years the officers of this branch of the service have devoted their ingenuity to the development of the passively resistant quality of ships, holding that design best which carries the heaviest armor. Thus they created the great battle ship, and now they stand prepared to defend her. One of the most distinguished of ordnance officers in his record of work accomplished, a man who has had much to do with designing the guns and armor for our modern ships, speaking on the subject of the Yalu fight, was in-

clined to be skeptical to-day as to the defeat of the Chinese battle ships. Said he: "We are still in the dark as to the de-tails of the battle, but I will venture the assertion now that not one of the Chinese battle ships was seriously injured, and that their loss was confined to cruisers or only partially protected vessels. And even the best of the Chinese battle ships is not a first-class vessel. The Chen-Yuen is a second-rate ship about like our Maine or reason, though that is a very good one, why the battle ships did not speedily destroy all of the Japanese fleet, and that reason is the immense superiority of the Japanese personnel. The Japanese themselves fully understand the value of battle ships, and have been making strenuous efforts to purchase some. Lately they have been trying to buy the Capiton Prat, the new armored vessel built in Europe for Chili. A good deal of nonsense has been nd written private builders who are after the big premiums paid for speed. I would rank excessive speed about tenth in the list of valuable qualities for a war ship. About the only advantage it offers is the opporturity to a vessel to decline an engagement. It will not help her even to run away, even, if she is once in action; the difference between the fifteen knots of a battle ship and the twenty knots of a cruiser is not enough to save the latter. Then, after once coming within fighting distance, she could not choose her position, for she would have to move whenever the heavy ship came up. When the explosive shell was brought out in the Crimean war, naval warfare was revolutionized. We have percussion shells now that we can explode with certainty almost inside of a cruiser and tear her to pieces. But these shells will not penetrate the armored side of a battle ship. The only projectile that can do that is the "armorpiercer," and that, while partly hollow, is never charged with explosives. An expert naval commander on one of the battle ships can meet at once and destroy half a dozen cruisers and come out of the fight without serious injury, else all naval opinion is at fault, and the naval power that seeks to get along without battle ships will certainly

rue its lack of foresight in time of war." THE KOW SHING COMMANDER. Captain Gailsworthy Arrives at Victoria on His Way to England. VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 23 .- Among the arrivals on the Victoria from Shangwas Captain Gailsworthy, who command of the fortunate transport Kow Shing when a broadside from the Naniwa sunk her. He was hurrying to London, where a second investigation of the now famous case is to be held under the direct authority of the imperial government. At his request his name was excluded from the passenger list and every effort made to conceal his identity. He declined to even meet any newspaper men saying that he did not want to prejudice his case by any public utterances. During the trip, however, he discussed the matter with passengers and told several things that have not before been made public. He stated that three hours before he fell in with the Japanese fleet he met two Chinese cruisers that had sighted the enemy and was flying with all speed, going at eighteen knots, and at their mastheads flew flags of truce. They passed the Kow Shing in plain view, but did not stop to warn her of danger. They may not have known what she was, but the troops crowded her decks, and it was covardly, if they recognized her, and still went on. When he desired to obey the commands from the Japanese war ships, knowing what utter folly it was to resist, the Chinese troops placed a guard at the companion way of the brig. They had their swords drawn, and their orders were to cut him down if he attempted to leave. The first torpedo thrown at the Kew Shing went wide of its mark, and the carae the broadside. Gailsworthy, with others, slipped on a life belt and sprang into the sea and the Chinese opened fire on them. Later they were under fire from both sides. It was over an hour before the Japanese picked him up. Before the Kow Shing left Corea there had been no intimation of a declaration of war.

He goes to Tacoma and East over the Northern Pacific, and will lose no time in getting to New York and thence to Lon-

GENERAL YEH'S CUNNING.

Chinese Emperor's Eyes. YOKOHAMA, Sept. 23 .- The Chinese imperial family has been persuaded that the route of the army was one brilliant victory, and Nichi, who figured in the preliminary fight at Song Nwan, has received a present of 80,000 taels direct from the sovereign, and General Yeh, who was in command and who has been placed in full control of troops in Corea, with promotion to the rank of field marshal, has been honored by a special decree, in which the

Emperor eulogizes in these words: Emperor eulogizes in these words:

When General Yeh vanquished the foe at Asan the Empress manifested her favor by bestowing on him 20,000 taels. Now he memorializes that he left Asan with 10,000 men, fighting his way through the Japanese army, of which he slaughtered 1,600, losing only five hundred of his own followers. We hereby proclaim Yeh's bravery and the valor of those who served under him. Let him send us a list of all his officers that we may forthwith promote them; also a list of his killed that we may confer bounties on their families."

Supplemental to the above an edict has been published, dated Aug. 26, consequent on the latest dispatch received by the Emperor from General Yeh. That officer has at last found it expedient to inspect his army, and informs his sovereign that after the battle at Asan, which he still claims

army, and informs his sovereign that after the battle at Asan, which he still claims as a victory, he was surrounded by such overwhelming numbers of Japanese that after fighting desperately for six hours and inflicting frightful slaughter on the enemy he was compelled to retreat and carry the remains of his army to a new rendezvous remains of his army to a new rendezvous at Phigyanhe. He humbly begs that he be severely censured for his failure to de-stroy the Japanese forces, but the Emperor proclaims that since he was able to escape, though hemmed in on all sides by an army several times larger than his own, and to inflict a heavier loss than he himself suffered, therefore his merit is sufficient to compensate for any inability on his part, and "his request for censure is graciously refused." But the announcement also comes from Peking that General Yeh had been relieved from the chief command Corea recently conferred and is replaced

by an officer of superior rank. Fears are expressed in the north of China that the supply of rice will be insufficient not only for the people at large, but even for the demands of the army and navy. The grand canal route from the southern rice-growing districts is blocked above Chin Kiang and doubts have arisen as to the practicability of transporting grain by sea. By a singular error of judgment the Peking government has included rice in the list of contraband articles. Circumstances which would be turned heavily to the disadvantage of European ships had they not since received an order that the grain shipped in neutral vessels must not be considered contraband. Then under this ruling the difficulty of securing ships for the service is great and the conveyance of food to the Chinese troops in Corea across the gulf of PorChi. Id is completely cut off the gulf of Pe-Chi-Li is completely cut off by the Japanese cruisers. Thus far, however, the Chinese forces have subsisted mainly on the products of the regions they occupy. In the middle of August it was admitted by officials in Peking that northern granaries contained only food enough to meet the ordinary requirements of six weeks.
The river approach to Ning Po has been blockaded by driving piles to obstruct the channel, leaving a narrow space for junks to pass through. To close this space in

case the Japanese should appear, barges are loaded with stones to be ready for sinking. Telegrams announce that in consequence of the continued refusal of the Governor of Shanghai to allow the city the privi-leges of a neutral port remonstrances were sent early in September by the foreign consuls. As no satisfactory answer was re-turned the following joint resolution was adopted and forwarded to the Chinese

"The action of the Taitoi of Shanghai most unfair to a neutral port, and if he continues to act in such a violent manner troops will be landed from the American men-of-war for the protection of the inhabitants of the settlement." Two European missionaries have been murdered by Chinese soldiers, one, Frenchman named Joseau, who had large native following in the Corean town of Pong Ku, is said to have incurred the displeasure of General Yeh on that warrior's retreat from Asan, and to have been beheaded after a form of military trial on imaginary charges. A Scotchman named James Wylie was set upon in Sine Yang and beaten so cruelly that he died in a few hours. Corean adventurers are taking advantage of present disorders to engage in piracy on a small scale. Within the past fortnight several Jap fishing boats have been seized at different points off the Corean coast, their valuables stolen and crews barbarously maltreated. Warning has been sent from Shanghai that an attempt will be made to disguise a number of ships belonging to the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company and dispatch them under the British flag with munitions of war and provisions to places occupied

The intention of Corea to send such forces as she can enroll to fight under the Japanese standard has been formally pro-claimed and the first detachment has left

Seoul for Ping Yang.

Marquis Saiongji, bearer of gifts from the Emperor and Empress of Japan to the King and Queen of Corea, has been re-ceived at the court of Seoul with demonstrations of welcome.

### TWO UNFORTUNATE JAPS.

Appealed to Uncle Sam for The Lives, but Appealed in Vain. VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 23.-Additional gossip of interest concerning China and Japan has been brought by steamers just arrived from the two countries. The ac-

The case of two alleged Japanese spies who have been given up by the United

States consul-general at Shanghai to almost certain death at the hands of the Chinese attracts much attention and causes no little ill feeling among Americans and Europeans in China. These two young men had for some time been pursuing their studies in Shanghai, and, like the majority of the Japanese residents, were in the habit of wearing Chinese dress. With the idea of serving their country in some indefinite way they undertook at the outbreak of war to collect information which they thought would be valuable to their government. What they gave to their government has not yet transpired, but it is charged they made drawings of defenses, and in consequence of that they were arrested by native officers in the French quarter of the settlecers in the French quarter of the settlement. On the Japanese consulate closing it was rumored all Japanese remaining in the country should look to local representatives of the United States for such aid and advice as could be unofficially vouchsafed. Explanations were given that absolute protection could not be extended, but that something might be done to rescue these foolhardy young men from their perilous position. They were handed over from the French consul to the American consul-general in spite of the protests and consul-general in spite of the protests and demands of the Chinese government, which insisted on their surrender. Mr. Jerningham, consul-general, soon discovered the suspected men had no connection with Jap authorities, and they acted wholly on their own responsibility. It is understood that after due investigation he was disposed to ship them to Japan, but on re-porting the incident to Washington he received peremptory instructions to deliver them to Chinese custody. This the tele-gram announced was done Sept. 5 to the

dissatisfaction of the great majority of allens dwelling in Shanghai. The ordinary procedure with accused foreigners who have no consular representative is to bring them before a mixed court under the control of a chief magistrate and foreign safety, but no one lieves the prescribed course will be followed in the present case unless strong demonstration is made by several consuls supported by ministers at Pekin against the removal of the prisoners from the set-tlement. Without regard to this question of legislative propriety it is regarded by Americans that their government felt it imperative to inflict what was virtually a sentence of death on the overzealous

An Army to Start for Pekin. LONDON, Sept. 24.-The Daily News,

commenting on a dispatch stating that Japan has a fresh army of 80,000 men ready to take the field, says it is unlikely that they are going to Corea, and that there can only be one other destination—namely, a dash on Pekin. The Japanese general has announced with unnecessary frankness his intention to seize Mukden, but he is known to be a master in the art of deceiving the enemy and could now easily army to Pekin, a great part of utter failure of the Democrats here to beve Galesworthy is scarcely thirty years old. | send an army to

Further News of the "Great" Democratic Day in Indiana.

By Actual Count the Saturday's Meetings Averaged About 150 at Most of the Places.

SPEAKERS HID IN HOTELS

And Were Reported as Having Missed Their Trains.

False Announcements to Draw Crowds, Which, However, Refused to Be Longer Hoodwinked.

Further news of Saturday's unprecedented Democratic fiasco from one end of the State to the other came in last night, as will be seen by the Journal's dispatches printed below. When the Democratic managers began advertising their "great" campaign opening day the Journal determined to have the meetings reported without prejudice and with a view to giving nothing but the facts. From a score of places the returns have come in and the figures all go to show that either the Democrats have nearly all turned Populists or Republicans, or else they were so thoroughly disgusted that they refused to turn out. Numerous failures to hold meetings were reported yesterday and later dispatches show the same at other places. The affair at Cambridge City, where Francis M. Griffith, Democratic candidate for Attorneygeneral, left town rather than make a speech to the five people who assembled at the great meeting, was duplicated here in Indianapolis when Jason Brown and John Lamb remained concealed at the Grand Hotel rather than show up at the gathering of 150 people in Masonic Hall. The news from the State shows that Brown and Lamb were too sensitive. At least a dozen Democratic speakers at different points had audiences that ranged from 100 to 150. Cooper's meeting at Elwood; Bynum's, at Bloomington; Martin's, at Blufiton; Brookshire's, at Crawfordsville, and many others were attended by no more than the few who waited in vain in Masonic Hall to hear Brown and Lamb. Down at Jeffersonville the wily Democrats unblushingly advertised that Owens, of Kentucky, would speak. Even that failed to draw a crowd and the meeting in that town, which went Republican last May, for the first time in sixty years, was a failure. The dispatches below speak for themselves.

A LIVELY ROW.

Howard County Democrats Will Not Be Ruled by the Party.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. KOKOMO, Ind., Sept. 23 .- The Democratie convention Saturday has left a bad effect on the party here. The Howard county Democracy never was in a worse state of demoralization. It was only through the merciless use of whip and spur in the hands of the machine that a ticket was put in the field. The sentiment of the rank and file was to go over bodily in the Republican and Populistic camps. The out townships all favored this plan, and the nomination of a straight ticket will not deter them from adhering to their original purpose of abandoning the party. Conservative Democrats estimate a falling off of over 500 votes here this fall. The convention passed resolutions roundly denouncing Congress for its "treason to Dem-

ocratic principles and its betrayal of the trust of the people."

In support of the resolution ex-Mayor, expostmaster and ex-county auditor, in a fiery speech said: "I do not indorse all Congress has done. Is there a Democrat in this house that will indorse the record of Congress? (No response). I am not satisfied with the work of Congress. The Senate is corrupt from one end to the other, and I believe our own Senators, Voorhees and Turple, are as corrupt as any of them, The Senate last session was the hotbed of anarchy in this country. The Senate is as corrupt as the hells of anarchy in Chicago. The English language fails me for words to condemn the outrageous acts of nearly all the Senators. I do not know whether I ought to say these things in a Demo-cratic convention, but for myself alone I will say them. My future affiliations po-litically are undetermined. Cleveland and Congress have repudiated the principles I have talked for and worked for day and night all over Howard and Tipton counies for over forty years."
Ex-Judge C. N. Pollard followed and compared Congress to Benedict Arnold, the

Jason Brown on Stockslager.

Revolutionary traitor having the best of

it. The resolutions of censure on the ad-

ministration and Congress passed unani-

mously. A resolution approving the action of President Cleveland and Governor Mat-

thews in the recent strike was also adopt-

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FRANKLIN, Ind., Sept. 23 .- The Democracy of Johnson county made an attempt to open the campaign yesterday, and Jason Brown was the speaker. For weeks the meeting had been heralded and it was the design of the local managers to have the campaign open with a blare of trumpets that would astonish the natives. It was an ideal day, and all favorable conditions were present, except the ones essential to a successful meeting. No crowd came, and there was no enthusiasm. The largest nummen of all parties, women and children. The speech was a tame affair. Mr. Brown admitted that his speech-making days are over. He devoted most of his effort to the impossible task of making the people be-lieve the sugar schedule of the McKinley bill was in favor of the trust and against the people, and that the Gorman bill had lessened the price of sugar. The Democracy of Johnson county is split in twain, and Mr. Brown had been given the cue. He implored the brethren to vote the ticket straight, even though it might be a bitter pill to swallow. "Why," he said, "down in my district they have put a fellow on the ticket to whom I do not now speak, and I never expect to speak to him. But I will not mar the symmetry of my ticket by scratching the name of the miserable wretch from it." He condemned the Republicans for voting against the Gorman bill, and said that the bill was only a step in the direction of reform, and if George W. Cooper is returned he will help to pass a better bill. Mr. Brown's remarks as to the "miserable wretch" for whom he ex-pected to vote were supposed to refer to Mr. Stockslager, who defeated him for renomination to Congress.

Democratic Failure at Columbus. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Sept. 23 .- The Democrats of this city opened their campaign here on Saturday night in one of the most signal failures that ever befell the party here. The meeting was advertised for two weeks, and the services of a band were se-cured. The meeting was held in one of the court rooms and was attended by 150 persons, not over one hundred of whom were Democratic veters, and not 20 per cent. of the Democrats present were labor-ers. The speech of H. C. Bell, Deputy Commissioner of Pensions, of Illinois, throughout was a series of assertions, none of which was verified. The following is one of his assertions: "The Republican party, with its high protection, was unable to pay any of the national debt, and turned the country over to the Democratic party in such a shape that it had to borrow money for operating expenses." One hour was devoted to ancient history, the speaker going back as far as six centuries.

Utter Failure at Jeffersonville. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.